MINUTES TOWN OF GROTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION NOVEMBER 17, 2015 - 7:00 P.M. GROTON TOWN HALL ANNEX - COMMUNITY ROOM 2

Members Present: Moriarty, Everett, Brady, Somers

Alternates Present: Nault, Brewer, Levenson

Absent:

Staff: Quinn, Galetta

Chairperson Moriarty called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and sat Levenson as a voting member.

MOTION: To waive the reading of the hearing procedure.

Motion made by Everett, seconded by Somers, so voted unanimously.

I. PRE-APPLICATION HEARINGS

Ken Soeter and Anne Esposito, owners of 5 Grove Avenue, appeared before the Commission with Architect Rick Staub to discuss a plan to build a single family dwelling on the property. They are in the process of demolishing the existing dwelling. The applicant explained that the property backs up to and is bounded by 40' cliffs in the rear so that the back is not visible from a public way. It is also in a flood zone so the house must be raised out of the ground and the lower level will not be finished space. The proposal is to use Hardie board siding with Azek trim on the exterior as well as asphalt shingles with a metal roof. Brick piers at the front may be painted. Photographs of surrounding homes in the area were reviewed. The applicants are in the process of determining the property lines and depending on where the survey puts the rear yard line a variance may be required. The Commission made recommendations about the items needed for the public hearing.

II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS - None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of September 1, 2015 public hearing.

Motion made by Brady, seconded by Nault, so voted unanimously.

MOTION: To approve the minutes of October 6, 2015 public hearing.

Motion made by Somers, seconded by Moriarty, so voted unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS - None

V. NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Moriarty announced that this is Commissioner Nault's last meeting as she has been elected to the Town Council. The Commission thanked Nault for her service.

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VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. made by Brady, seconded by Brewer, so voted unanimously.

Todd Brady, Secretary Historic District Commission

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